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25X1 14. [] Met with Representative Thomas Ashley
25X1 and left with him a copy of a letter which Mr. Goodwin had sent to []
25X1 [] This was in response to [] letter to the
President alleging that his father had worked for the Agency and, as a result,
had been taken prisoner by Fidel Castro. Goodwin's letter stated that
[] had not been associated with this Agency and suggested that he
contact the Director of Cuban Affairs, State Department. Ashley recalled
this case and was interested in having copies of this correspondence. I
took this opportunity to call to Mr. Ashley's attention a newspaper clipping
from the Washington Post which indicated that much of the information which
the Post had obtained on Agency support of foundations had come from the files
of the House Banking and Currency Committee (of which Ashley is a member).
25X1 Mr. Ashley was very interested in the article and speculated that the source
might have been []. I mentioned in general terms our contacts
25X1 with []. Mr. Ashley was interested but did not appear to know
25X1 much about []. I pointed out that this was, of course, a very sensitive
area and emphasized that it was one in which we could do nothing. I also
made it clear that we were not asking the Congressman to take any action on
this but thought, in view of his past affiliations (with RFE), and continuing
interest, he might wish to be aware of this.

The Congressman mentioned, in passing, that the Subcommittee's
report on the Fiat agreement was being well received. He said the Agency's
study was, of course, a very useful part of the study and represented a
major contribution. We discussed some of the problems involved in the
Agency's participation in these studies. It was Mr. Ashley's view that,
where the Agency had and could prepare unclassified material of this sort,
it should be made available to the Legislative Branch and to the public.
He said there might be reaction against this as there seemed to be against
anything that involved the Agency but he said he thought this had to be a
matter of education.

25X1 15. [] Met with Mr. J.R. Blandford, House Armed
Services Committee staff, and reviewed with him, at his request, the
general breakdown of the two items of interest to the Chairman appearing
in the Air Force budget. Mr. Blandford was most appreciative and
suggested that I also meet with Mr. Kelleher, through whom the Chair-
man's request was originally submitted.

25X1 16. [] Met briefly with Mr. Kelleher, House
Armed Services Committee staff, and arranged to met with him on
Monday as he was on his way to a doctor for X-rays.

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